Registered Used Oil (Waste Oil) Collection Provisions

The Maine Hazardous Waste, Septage and Solid Waste Management Act 38 MRSA § 1319-G.3 provides a waiver of reimbursement for registered used oil collection centers. Upon petition of the owner or operator of a registered used oil collection center, the commissioner shall reimburse the fund of costs incurred in the removal or abatement of up to 660 gallons of hazardous waste from that collection center if the commissioner finds that:

- A. The registered used oil collection center is in compliance with the requirements contained in 38 MRSA § 1319-Y and any rules adopted pursuant to 38 MRSA § 1319-O, subsection 2, paragraph B;
- B. The owner or operator of the registered used oil collection center:
 - (1) Did not mix the oil with hazardous waste; and
 - (2) Did not knowingly accept hazardous waste or oil mixed with hazardous waste; and
- C. The commissioner has not granted any reimbursement for costs incurred in the removal or abatement of hazardous waste from the same registered used oil collection center pursuant to this subsection during the previous 12 months.

Notwithstanding this subsection, the commissioner may not grant reimbursement pursuant to this subsection that total more than \$10,000 in any one fiscal year.

Note: This law allows the Commissioner of this Department to reimburse the owner/operator of a used oil collection center that it is registered with this Department in the event they end up with used oil contaminated with hazardous waste.